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1. On 12 January KIM Il-song and MAO Tse-tung conferred at Harbin.* There was a rumor among government officials in Harbin that the conference included the military leaders of China and North Korea and that the subject was the spring offensive against UN troops in Korea scheduled for early March.
2. On 20 March CHOU En-lai conferred with Terenti Fomich Shtykov, Soviet Ambassador to North Korea, on an undetermined subject at the former Japanese railroad hotel in P'yongyang.**
3. In early March the Soviet-Korea Trading Bank and the Churin Commercial Company were re-established in P'yongyang. Staff members of the Soviet-Korea Trading Bank who returned included F. N. Yakimov, three other unidentified Soviets, two Soviet-Koreans, and one Korean interpreter.

* [redacted] Comment. [redacted] MAO was in Moscow in January 1951. [redacted] MAO conferred with KIM Il-song at Harbin on 29 January, and [redacted] MAO and KIM were called to Moscow by Stalin on 2 February.

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** [redacted] Comment. [redacted] conference in P'yongyang of Soviet General Romanenko, CHOU En-lai, and the Chinese Communist and North Korean high command.

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